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**PETITION FOR REPLACEMENT PATENT GRANT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182**

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Sir:

This petition for a replacement patent grant is made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.182. The original grant apparently was lost by the U.S. Postal Service or by the U.S. Patent Office. It was never received by the undersigned or Patentee. The petitioner therefore also requests that the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) be waived. In the alternative, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee to Deposit Account 19-5029.

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